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Subject Carlyle Group and Verizon Hawaii

Dear Sirs / Madam:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the acquisition of Verizon Hawaii by the Carlyle. As a Verizon customer and Hawaii taxpayer, I see little benefit to the State. Whatever Carlyle's corporate strategy may be, it is hard to imagine that they will provide better, more locally-oriented service to the telephone customers in Hawaii.

Given that this is, in fact, an outright monoply, the State of Hawaii deserves to give this issue careful consideration. A politically influential conglomerate which has extensive defense industry holdings may not be the best fit for the Aloha State.

Regards,

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